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SUBJECT : POSTAL MONEY ORDER SERVICE  
BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND US

1. BDG PTT INFORMS US THAT REPEATED BDG EFFORTS HAVE FAILED TO OBTAIN A DECISION FROM THE US POSTAL SERVICE CONCERNING REOPENING INTERNATIONAL POSTAL MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND THE US, USING THE BRITISH POSTAL SERVICE AS AN INTERMEDIARY. THE TEXT OF THE PTT LETTER FOLLOWS IN PARAGRAPH 3.
2. PTT ADDITIONAL SECRETARY AHSANULLAH INFORMS US THAT HIS OFFICERS WROTE DIRECTLY TO US POSTAL AUTHORITIES AND THE SUBJECT WAS TAKEN UP BY THE BDG EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. IT WAS ALSO DISCUSSED RECENTLY WITH US POSTAL OFFICIALS AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS. COULD SOMEONE PLEASE ENCOURAGE A PROMPT RESPONSE AND RELAY IT TO US ASAP, OR PROVIDE US WITH OTHER DETAILS SO WE MAY REPLY TO THIS REQUEST?

BEGIN TEXT: MARCH 9, 1977, C.12-6/74, HIS EXCELLENCY, THE AMBASSADOR OF U.S.A. IN BANGLADESH, CHANCERY ADAMJEE COURT, MOTIJHEEL COMMERCIAL AREA, DACCA. SUBJECT: RESUMPTION OF MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND U.S.A. YOUR EXCELLENCY, I HAVE THE  
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HONOUR TO STATE THAT THE MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND THE U.S.A. THROUGH THE INTERMEDIARY OF U.K. POSTAL ADMINISTRATION WAS DISCONTINUED FROM THE 18TH DECEMBER, 1975 BY THE POSTAL ADMINISTRATION OF U.K. SINCE THEN THE MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND U.S.A. REMAINS SUSPENDED CAUSING MUCH DIFFICULTY TO BANGLADESHI NATIO-

NALS RESIDING IN THE U.S.A. IN MAKING REMITTANCE TO THEIR DEPENDENTS AT HOME. AS EARLY AS ON 1ST MARCH, 1976, THE U.S. POSTAL ADMINISTRATION INTIMATED US OF THEIR WILLINGNESS TO RUN THE SERVICE THROUGH THE INTERMEDIARY OF ANY COUNTRY WITH WHICH THEY HAVE DIRECT MONEY ORDER SERVICE.

3. ON OUR REQUEST THE BRITISH POSTAL ADMINISTRATION AGREED TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY INTERMEDIARY SERVICE FOR RESUMPTION OF MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN U.S.A. AND BANGLADESH UP TO 31ST MARCH, 1977 OR TILL A BILATERAL MONEY ORDER AGREEMENT BETWEEN U.S.A. AND BANGLADESH IS FINALISED WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, ON 6.11.76 WE REQUESTED THE U.S. POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS TO RESUME THE SERVICE WITH EFFECT FROM 1ST DECEMBER, 1976 AND FINALISE THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT EXCHANGE OF MONEY ORDERS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. WE HAVE NOT YET BEEN INFORMED OF THE DECISION OF THE U.S. POSTAL ADMINISTRATION DESPITE OUR REPEATED REQUESTS MADE ON 25.11.76, 10.1.77 AND 19.2.77.

4. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT WILL BE HIGHLY APPRECIATED IF YOUR EXCELLENCY WOULD FIND IT CONVENIENT TO USE HIS GOOD OFFICES SO THAT THE MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND U.S.A. COULD BE RESUMED WITHIN THE MINIMUM POSSIBLE TIME.

5. I ASSURE, YOUR EXCELLENCY, OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

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TION. YOURS FAITHFULLY, (A.M. AHSANULLAH), ADDITIONAL SECRETARY, P.T.&T DIVISION, GOVT. OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH. END TEXT.  
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